

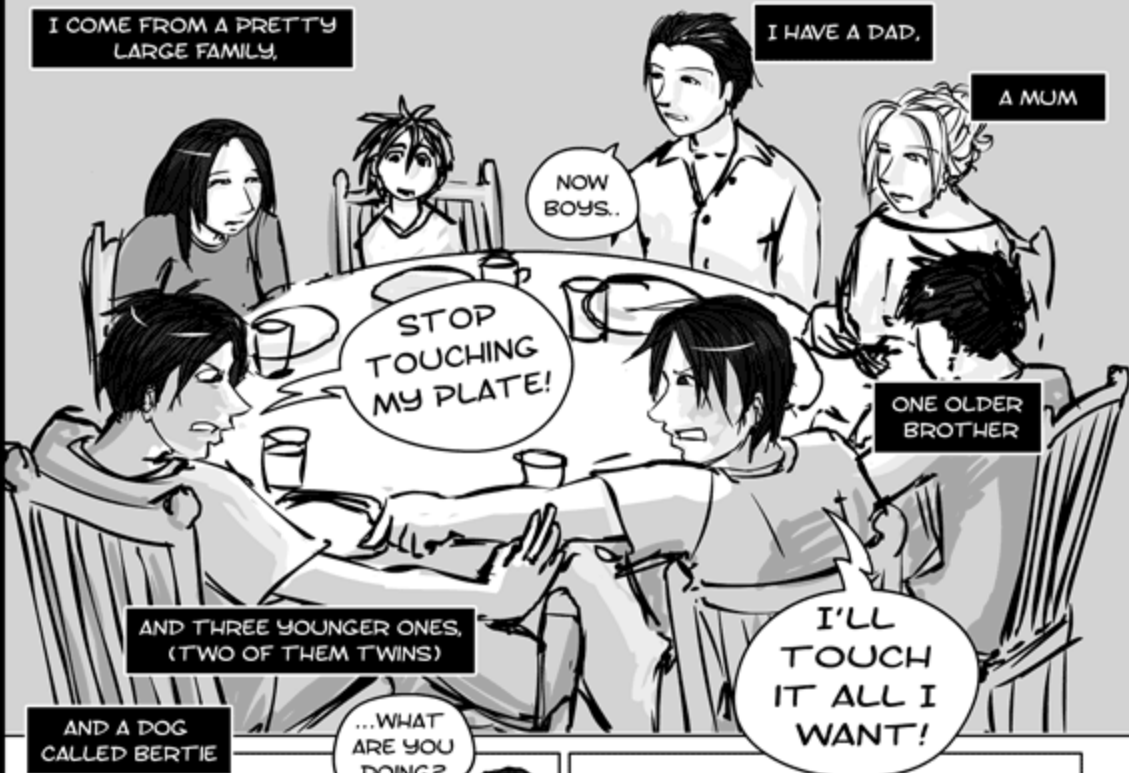


MY NAME IS NAY OTEN.

WELL...ACTUALLY IT'S NANASE,
BUT SINCE PEOPLE SUCK AT
PRONOUNCING IT, NAY STUCK.

BUT THAT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER
AT THE MOMENT BECAUSE I JUST DID
SOMETHING INCREDIBLY STUPID.

THIS IS MY STORY.



MY MUM TEACHES VIOLIN AT SCHOOLS
AND MY DAD DOES SOMETHING THAT
MEANS HE HAS TO WEAR A SUIT

I GOT SOME TALENT FROM
MY MUM, SO I PLAY GUITAR.

GOING
OVER MURFY'S
TO JAM-
BE BACK
LATER

OKAY, SEE
YOU LATER.

I LIKE 80'S ROCK MUSIC, AND
JAPANESE POP BUT I'M NOT THAT
FUSSY OTHERWISE.

COME
ON!

I LIKE JAMMING WITH MURF'S
ON SATURDAYS, WHILE AMBER
SITS IN THE CORNER DRAWING.

WE USED TO WATCH CARTOONS
TOGETHER TOO, BUT I THINK AMBER'S
GROWN OUT OF THAT NOW.

ME AND AMBER USED TO BE JOINED AT THE HIP UP UNTIL WE MOVED SCHOOLS.

AMBER'S 'RENTS NEVER REALLY LIKED ME SO THEY GOT HER TO MAKE OTHER FRIENDS.

MOST OF THEM WERE POPULAR HIGH-ACHIEVING RICH SNOBS (OR WISHED THAT THEY WERE), BUT THEN AGAIN AMBER IS WELL OFF AND A NERD SO SHE FITTED RIGHT IN.

AMBER'S NEVER BEEN A SNOB THOUGH.

ALISHA.

NANASE.

OKAY, I'VE GOT MY THINGS

SHE'S ALWAYS TREATED ME AND MURF'S AS EQUALS, EVEN THOUGH HER "FRIENDS" DIDN'T APPROVE.

ARE YOU READY TO GO?

IT USED TO ANNOY ME THAT WE WERE LIKE AMBER'S BACK-UP FRIENDS, BUT THEN I FOUND OUT THAT SHE HAD NEVER SLEPT OVER ANY OF THEIR HOUSES ONCE, EVEN THOUGH SHE COMES TO MINE EVERY WEEKEND.

YEAH, COME ON.

OKAY.

SO I FIGURED WE COULD WATCH GET BACKERS.

MY BRO SAY'S IT'S GOOD

I USED TO WONDER WHAT AMBER GOT FROM BEING FRIENDS WITH ME.

I'M NOT REALLY SMART, I DON'T LIKE ARTY STUFF AND SHE HATES MUSIC (SOMETHING ABOUT HER MOTHER AND FLUTE LESSONS, BUT SHE DOESN'T LIKE TO TALK ABOUT IT).

BUT THEN I SEE HER SPRAWLED OUT ON MY SOFA, WEARING HARRY POTTER PJ'S AND EATING COFFEE ICECREAM, AND I THINK THAT MAYBE SHE NEEDS ME BECAUSE SHE CAN BE HERSELF AROUND ME.

AND THAT MAKES ME HAPPY.

I NEVER LISTEN TO THAT KIND OF TALK OUTSIDE A BED..

THE ONLY PROBLEM I HAVE IS THAT OVER THE YEARS WE'VE WATCHED A LOT OF ANIME TOGETHER-

AND SOME OF IT HELPED ME REALISE THAT I SWING BOTH WAYS (MOSTLY SAILOR MOON BECAUSE DAMN SHORT SKIRTS ARE HOT)

WAIT-WHAT?

BUT I COULD NEVER REALLY TELL AMBER ABOUT IT BECAUSE SHE NEVER REALLY SEEMED TO BE COMFORTABLE WITH THAT KIND OF THING.

HEY- I GOT SPRINKLES!

ARE YOU OKAY?

I'M FINE!

IT WAS A SHAME BECAUSE SHE WAS HOT TOO.

I GOT MY CHANCE TO TRY THINGS WITH ANOTHER GIRL WHEN I REALLY MET KELLY.

I MEAN I KNEW WHO SHE WAS BEFORE, BUT ONLY AS MURFY'S SISTER. SHE WAS A FEW YEARS OLDER THAN HIM, AND THEY ARGUED A LOT, BUT THERE WAS LOVE THERE.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

EVEN WHEN SHE DANGLED HIM OUT THE BATHROOM WINDOW.

OH GOD LET ME UP!

CONVINCING ALEX THAT HE NEEDS TO TIDY HIS ROOM.

WE NORMALLY DIDN'T SEE KELLY THAT MUCH. SHE ONLY CAME HOME FROM UNI AT THE HOLIDAYS, AND EVEN THEN SHE SPENT MOST OF IT UP IN HER ROOM.

SO... WHAT DOES KELLY DO UP THERE ANYWAY?

I ONCE ASKED MURFY'S WHAT SHE DID UP THERE.

YOU DON'T WANT TO KNOW.

BUT I DO!

LOOK, IT INVOLVES HER HALF NAKED, A HIGH ELECTRICITY BILL AND EVIL CACKLING ON THE ODD OCCASION.

YOU DON'T WANT TO KNOW.

HIS ANSWER DIDN'T REALLY SATISFY MY CURIOSITY.



ALEX! NO FOOD
UNTIL YOU BRING
YOUR WASHING
DOWN!

HA
HA

SHOVE
IT.

BUT I FINALLY DID GET A
CHANCE TO FIND OUT WHAT
KELLY DID THANKS TO MURFY'S
HELL HOLE OF A ROOM

TAKE THIS
UP TO KELLY
PLEASE-

SHE'S IN
HER ROOM.

OKAY!

KNOCK
KNOCK

STATE YOUR
NAME, CLEARANCE
AND PURPOSE!

UM...
IT'S NAY...
MURFY'S
FRIEND...I- I
BROUGHT
NOODLES!

click
OPEN

IT WAS THE MOST AMAZING
THING I'D EVER SEEN



WOAH.



AND IN THE MIDDLE OF IT ALL
WAS KELLY, SQUASHED UNDER
THE DESK AND HALF NAKED.



OOOH-
NOODLES!

YOU BUILD...
COMPUTERS?



YOU
CAN DO
THAT?

CH'YEAH,
IT'S NOT
LIKE IT'S
HARD.





I QUICKLY BECAME FASCINATED WITH HOW COMPUTERS WORKED, AND ESPECIALLY HOW TO BUILD THEM.

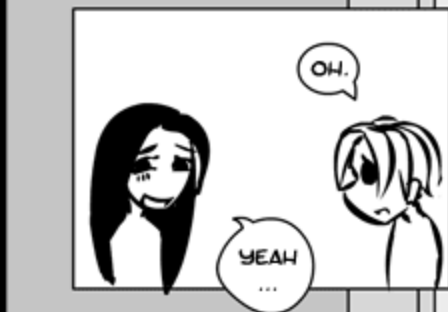
KELLY TOOK ME UNDER HER WING AND SHOWED ME HOW TO PUT THEM TOGETHER.



OH. HEY MURFS.

NAY!
AWESOME TO SEE YOU!
YOU OVER TO JAM?

ACTUALLY...
I'M KINDA HERE TO SEE KELLY...



OH.

YEAH ...



AND SOON SHE FELT THAT I WAS READY TO HELP HER WITH AN ACTUAL COMMISSION.



I BROUGHT THAT CAFFEINE DRINK LIKE YOU ASKED.

GREAT!

WELL, THE PARTS ARE ALL HERE, SO LET'S GET GOING THEN.





WOW, I
DIDN'T THINK
YOU'D
ACTUALLY
DO IT.

YOU KNOW
YOU'RE
PRETTY WELL
DEVELOPED
FOR JAIL
BAIT.

YOU KNOW
WHAT? FUCK
YOU.

JUST FOR
THAT THE BRA
IS GONNA STAY
ON.
~~SCREW YOUR
PARTS~~

FINE.
WHAT-
EVER.

/V008

AND KELLY
WAS HOT.



RIGHT,
LET'S GET
STARTED!



NOT IN THAT AMBER. "UNTOUCHABLE,
TALL WITH PERFECT HAIR AND NOT
AN OUNCE OF FAT" KINDA WAY-

BUT IN A "SHORT, SLIGHTLY
TOO SKINNY, DOWN TO EARTH AND
SITTING NAKED AROUND COMPUTER
PARTS" KINDA WAY.

IF I WERE A DUDE, I
WOULD HAVE BEEN HARD.

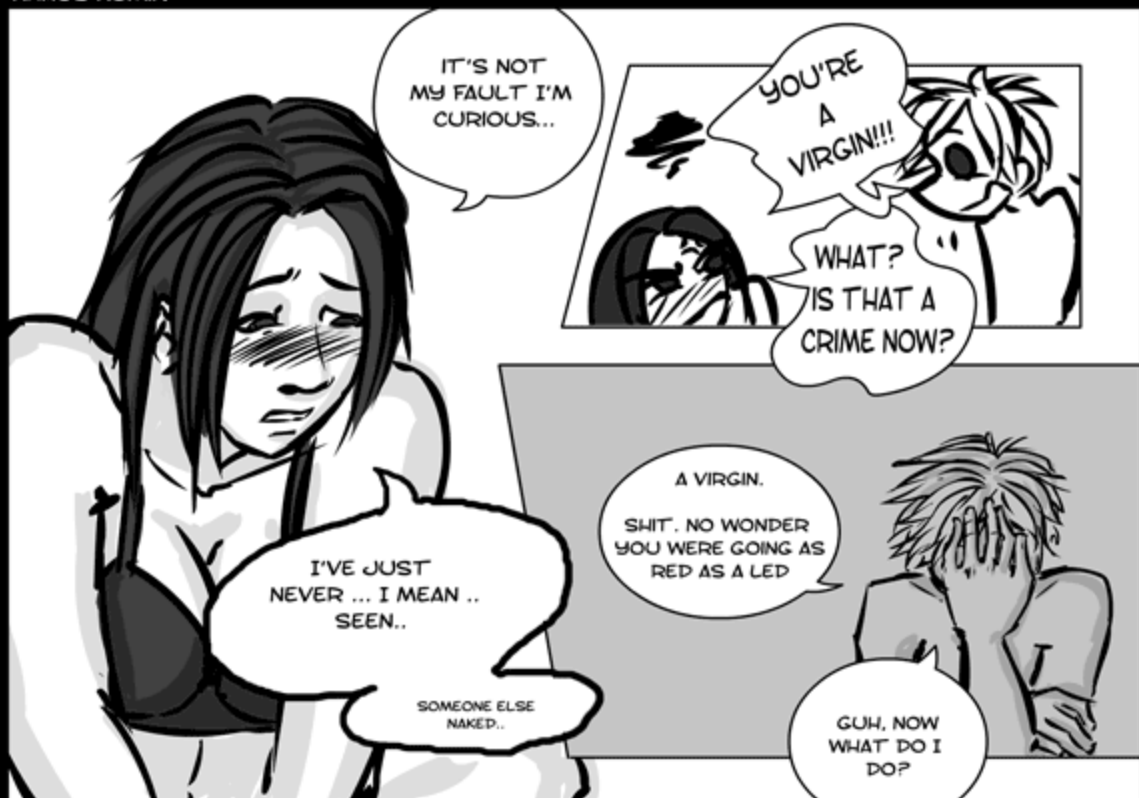


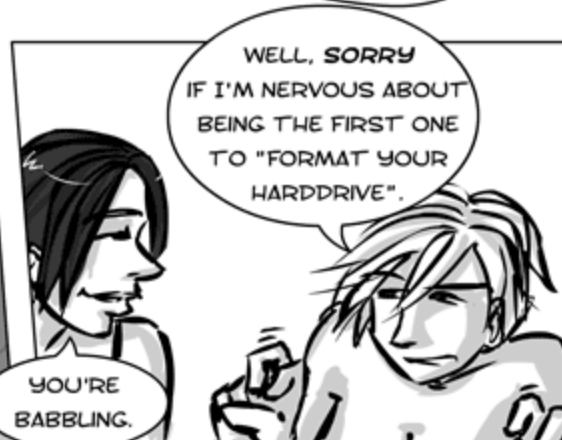
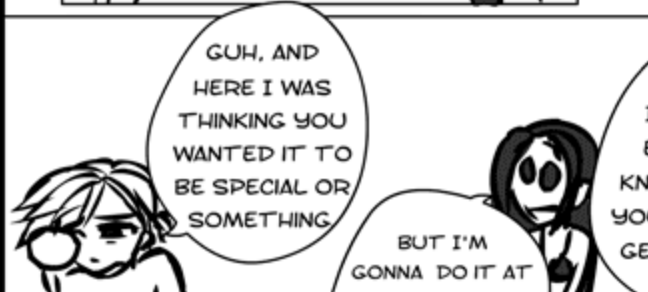
FORTUNATELY I'M NOT A DUDE,
BUT I STILL SAT THERE BUMBLING
LIKE AN IDIOT, BLUSH CREEPING
DOWN MY NECK. AND THEN TO TOP
IT OFF MY NIPPLES STARTED TO
SHOW THROUGH MY BRA.

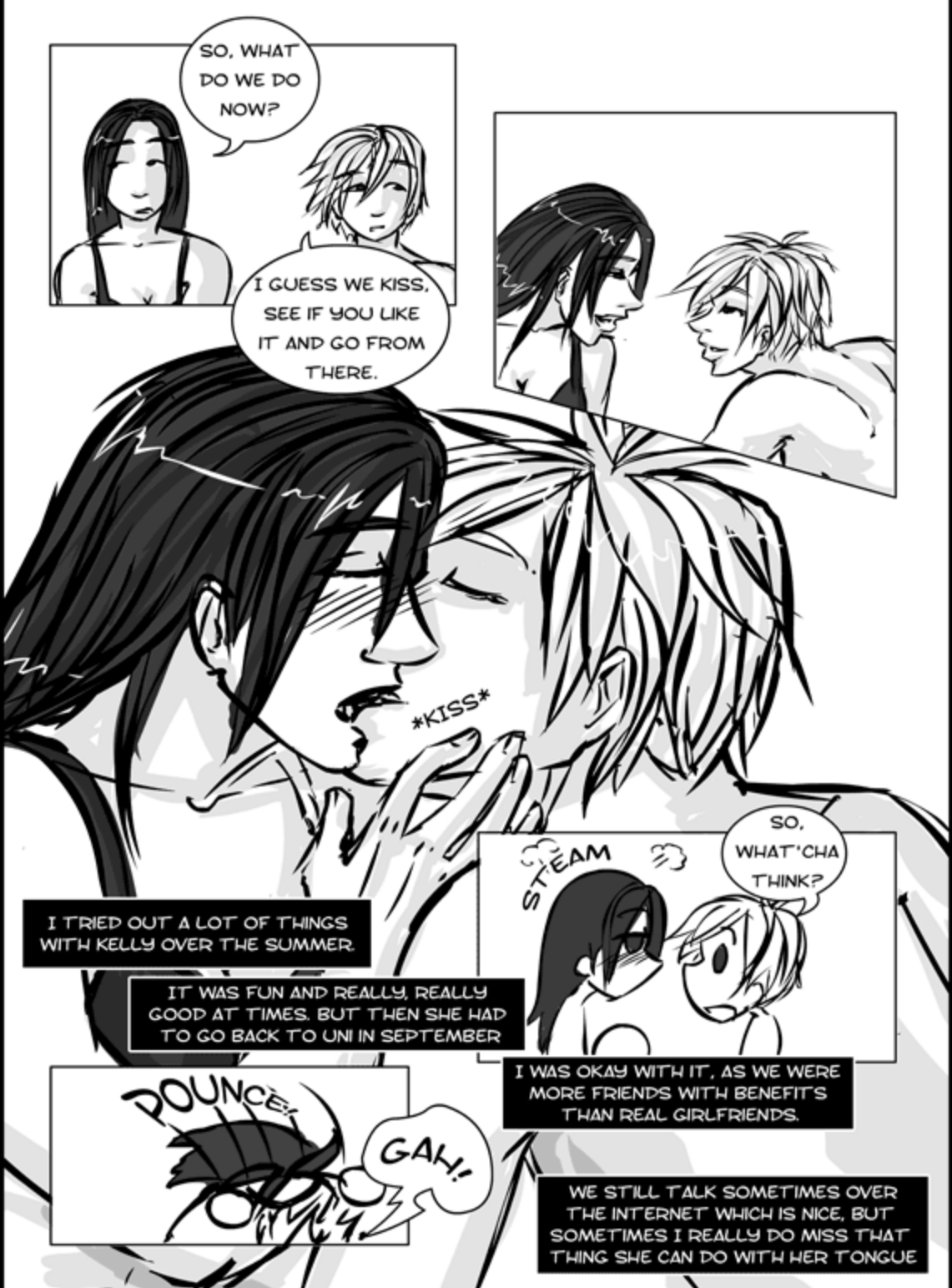
THOUGH I
GOTTA SAY,
YOU MAY BE
HOT AN'
ALL-

BUT YOU'RE
NOT REALLY
MY TYPE.

I PREFER
RED HEADS.
BUT THEN
AGAIN...BLONDES
ARE STILL
GOOD.







SO, WHAT
DO WE DO
NOW?

I GUESS WE KISS.
SEE IF YOU LIKE
IT AND GO FROM
THERE.

I TRIED OUT A LOT OF THINGS
WITH KELLY OVER THE SUMMER.

IT WAS FUN AND REALLY, REALLY
GOOD AT TIMES. BUT THEN SHE HAD
TO GO BACK TO UNI IN SEPTEMBER

POUNCE

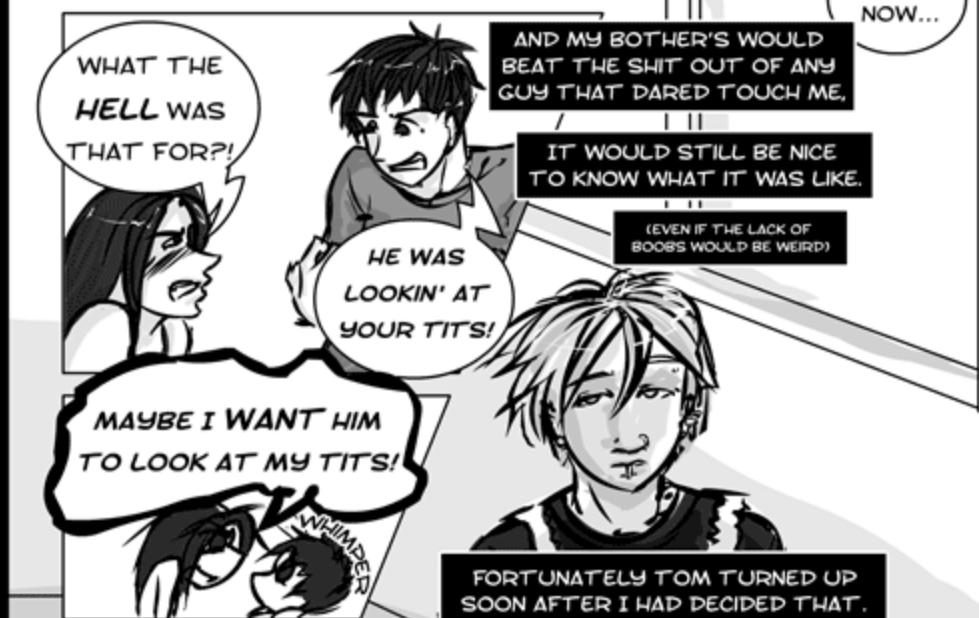
GAH!

I WAS OKAY WITH IT, AS WE WERE
MORE FRIENDS WITH BENEFIT'S
THAN REAL GIRLFRIENDS.

WE STILL TALK SOMETIMES OVER
THE INTERNET WHICH IS NICE, BUT
SOMETIMES I REALLY DO MISS THAT
THING SHE CAN DO WITH HER TONGUE

STEAM
STEAM

SO,
WHAT'CHA
THINK?



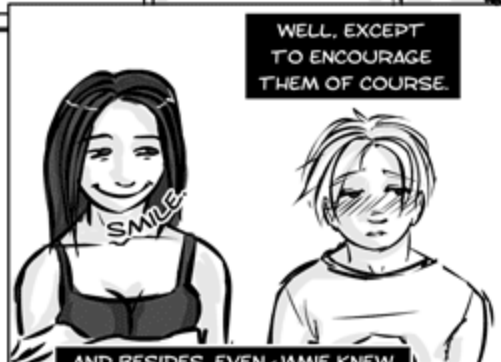
AND I REALLY WAS A SUCKER FOR THE TATTOOS AND PIERCINGS. THEY MADE ME WANT TO FIND OUT HOW *MUCH* OF HIM WAS TATTOOED.





UNFORTUNATELY FOR ME, TOM TURNED OUT TO BE MORE INTERESTED IN MURFS.

IT WAS A BIT OF A BLOW TO THE PRIDE, BUT THE IDEA OF MURFS FINDING SOMEONE AFTER YEARS OF NOTHING HELPED ME TO STEP BACK AND JUST LET THEM BE.



AND BESIDES, EVEN JAMIE KNEW MURFS WAS GAY, IT WAS ABOUT TIME HE REALIZED IT TOO.



AURA OF GREATNESS

TOM MADE A REALLY GOOD FRIEND TOO.

HE PLAYED GUITAR LIKE A GOD AND LIKED FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST, BOTH OF WHICH MADE HIM AWESOME.



FOR YEARS IT WAS JUST ME AND MURFS, SO TOM TURNING UP WAS REALLY NICE.

WELL... THERE WAS AMBER, BUT SHE DIDN'T TALK TO ME MUCH AT SCHOOL.

HER PARENTS WERE STILL ASSHOLES AND SHE LISTENED TO HER ASSHOLE PARENTS.

ER, HI?
IS AMBER
THERE?

ONE SECOND,
I SHALL GET
HER FOR YOU.

AMBER! PHONE!
IT'S NA-NA-SE!

BASTARDS.

WELL...
AT LEAST
THEY GET MY
NAME RIGHT.

THEN AMBER WENT AND STARTED DATING MARK SHEFFIELD.

YOU'RE WHAT?

IT PISSED ME OFF BECAUSE SHE HAD NEVER SAID ANYTHING ABOUT LIKING HIM AND I WAS SUPPOSED TO BE HER BEST FRIEND!

AND BEST FRIENDS WERE SUPPOSED TO TELL EACH OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT.

Smiles like a goon

Smells.

stupid wannabe emo hair.

stupid ... neck

is a flake

doesn't even know what anime is, let alone seen some.

They've got nothing in common!

BLUE?

WHO THE FUCK WEARS BLUE?!

Small Penis

AND TO BE HONEST, I WAS A BIT JEALOUS. AT THE TIME I PUT IT DOWN TO AMBER NOT SPENDING AS MUCH TIME WITH ME.

BUT LATER I KINDA REALIZED WHAT IT REALLY WAS.

CHARLIE TURNED UP
SOON AFTER TOM.

SHE ANNOYED ME BECAUSE HER
AND AMBER STARTED HANGING
OUT, EVEN DURING SCHOOL-

AND I WAS STILL PISSED
AT HER FOR DATING MARK
WITHOUT TELLING ME FIRST.



SOMETHING SHE HAD
NEVER DONE WITH ME.



AND THEN IT TURNED OUT THAT
TOM WAS LIKE SUPER BEST FRIENDS
WITH CHARLIE SINCE FOREVER, SO
IT FELT LIKE I'D LOST HIM TOO.

SO YEAH, LIFE SUCKED
FOR A WHILE. BUT I HAD
MURFS WITH ME, SO
IT WASN'T SO BAD.



HIM AND TOM WERE STILL
SKIRTING AROUND GOING OUT AND
IT WAS GETTING HIM DOWN AS
MUCH AS I WAS ABOUT AMBER.



OKAY
THAT'S
GREAT!

WE'RE SEEING A
MOVIE FRIDAY-
I'LL TEXT YOU
THE TIMES
WHEN I KNOW
THEM

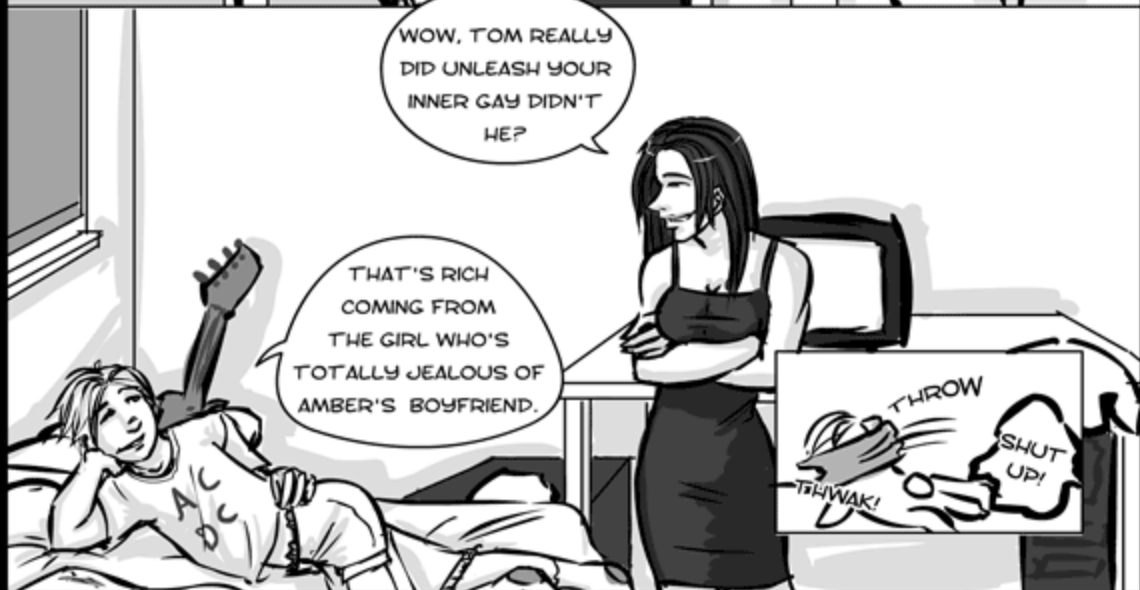
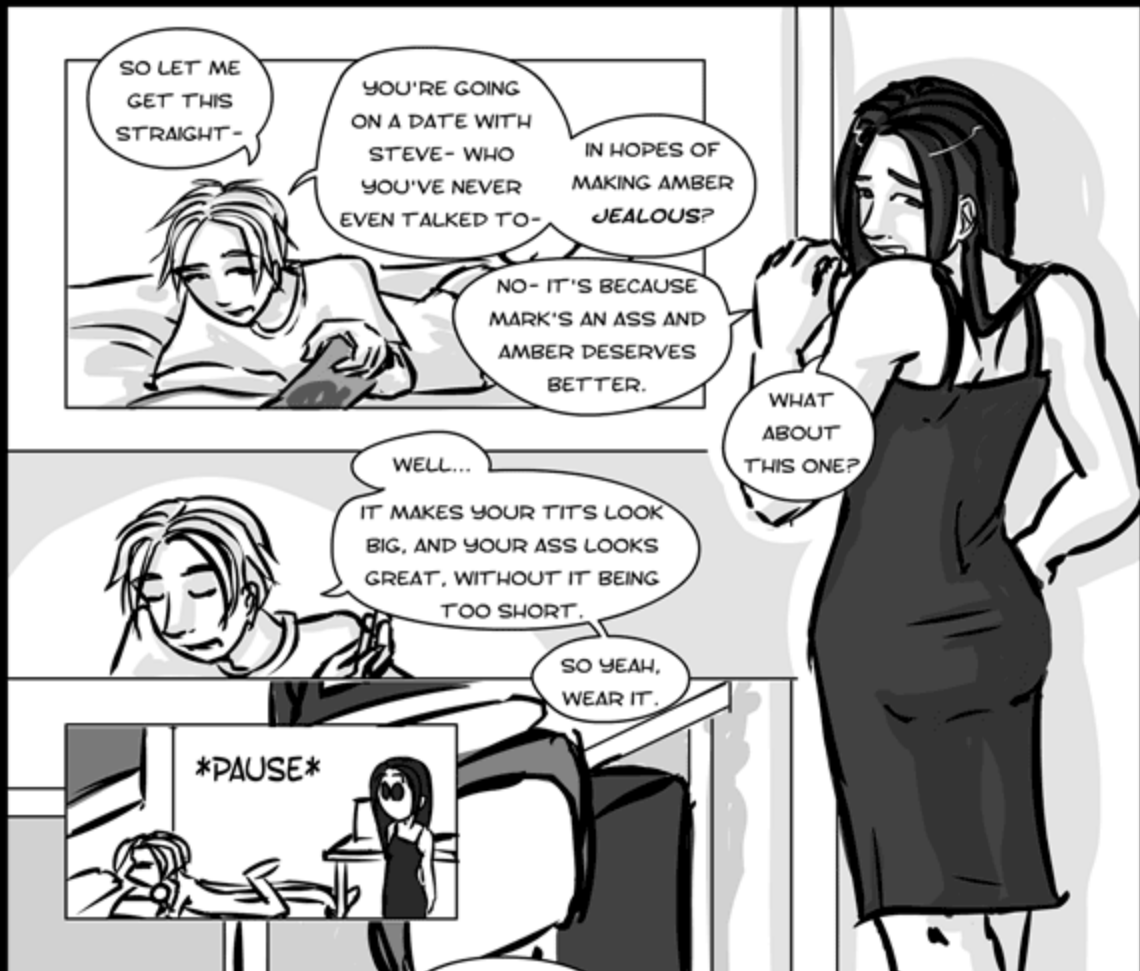
OKAY
SURE.


COME ON, I NEED
YOUR HELP
CHOOSING AN
OUTFIT.

OW- NAY
YOU'RE
HURTING ME!



BUT THEN AMBER ASKED ME TO GO ON
A DOUBLE DATE WITH MARK AND STEVE, AND
AFTER THAT THINGS GOT WEIRD.





I GUESS I WANTED TO LOOK GOOD
THAT NIGHT BECAUSE I WANTED AMBER
TO SEE THAT I WAS GOOD ENOUGH
TO BE AROUND HER TOO.

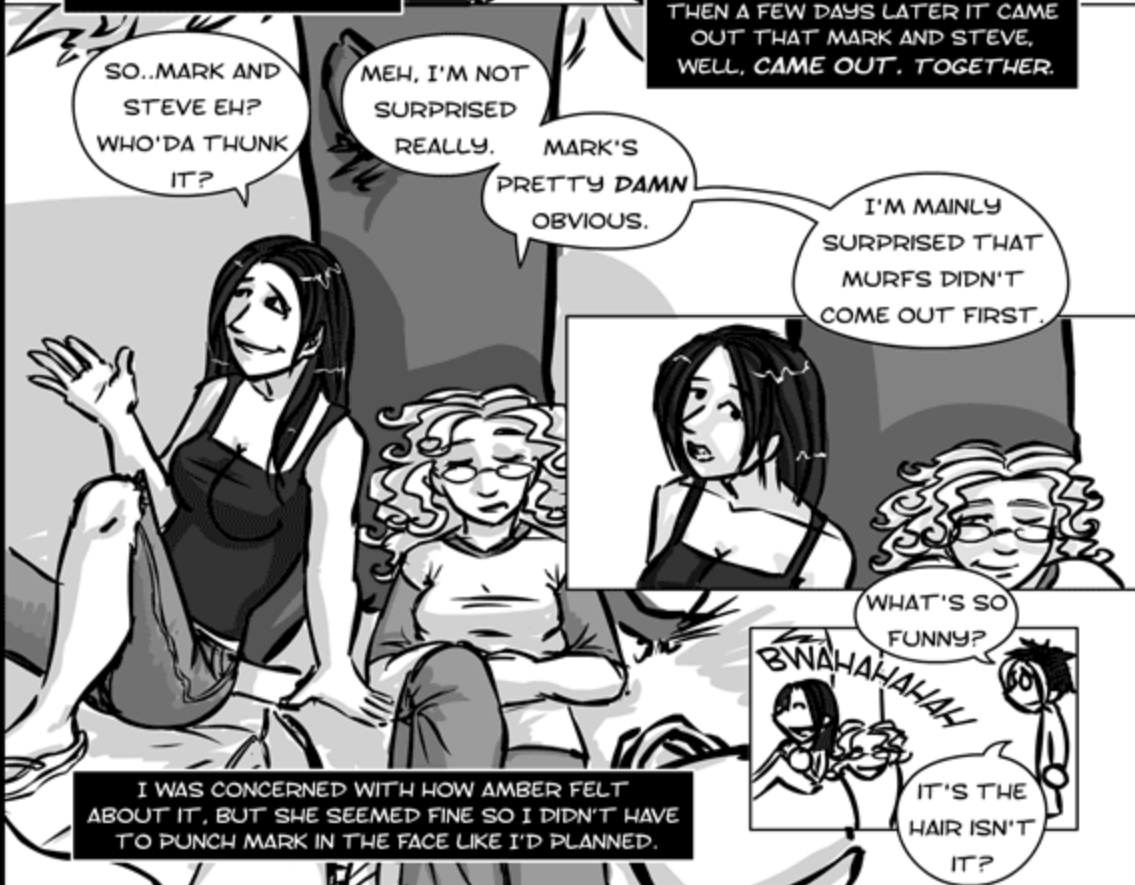
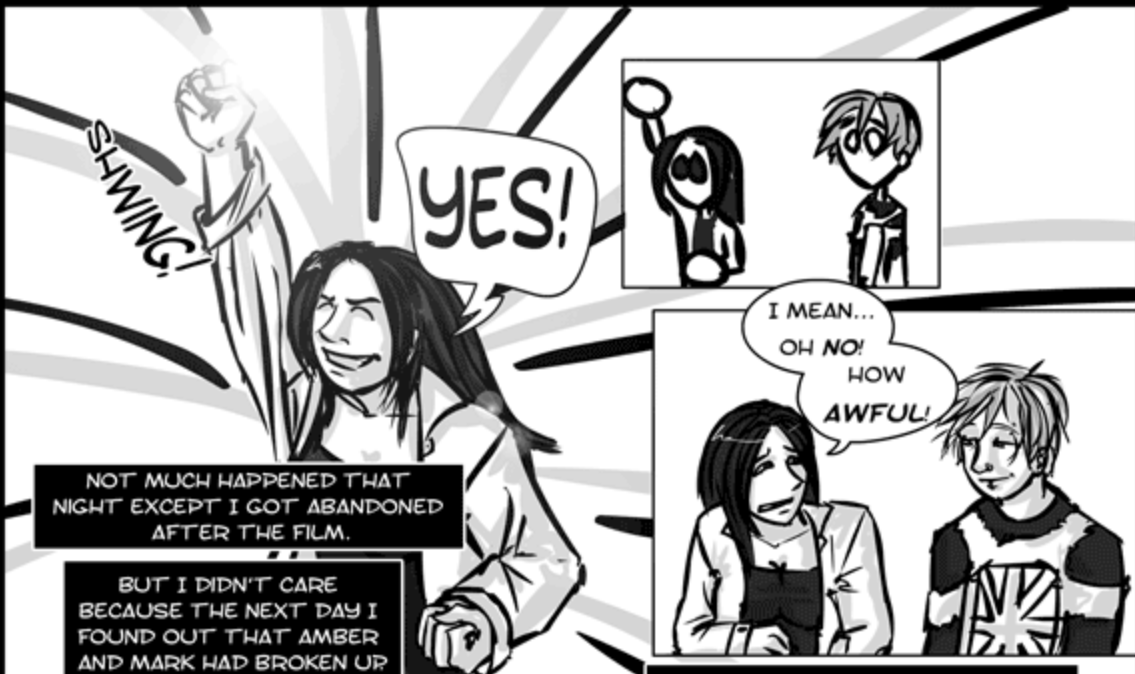
AMBER TURNED UP LOOKING STUNNING.
SHE HAD DONE SOMETHING WITH HER HAIR
THAT DEFINED EACH CURL AND MADE THEM
BOUNCE CUTELY WHEN SHE WALKED.

I GOT THE SUDDEN URGE TO
GRAB HER HAIR AND MESS IT UP
FEELING IT BETWEEN MY FINGERS-

-WHICH WAS QUICKLY SQUASHED
WHEN MARK AND STEVE ARRIVED.

I THEN SPENT THE REST OF THE
EVENING CURSING MURFS FOR BEING
RIGHT AND MARK FOR BEING IN THE WAY.





AFTER THAT AMBER
SPENT A LOT MORE
TIME WITH ME AND
MURFS.

IT FELT SO AWESOME TO
FINALLY HAVE MY CHILDHOOD BEST
FRIEND BACK WITH ME AND I LOVED
EVERY MINUTE WE SPENT TOGETHER.

ER...
WHAT DO
I DO?

MURFS WILL
TELL YOU
WHAT TO
DO-

ME AND TOM ARE
GOING TO THE
KITCHEN TO GET
DRINKS

JUST PLAY
WITH IT FOR
A BIT - HAVE
SOME FUN

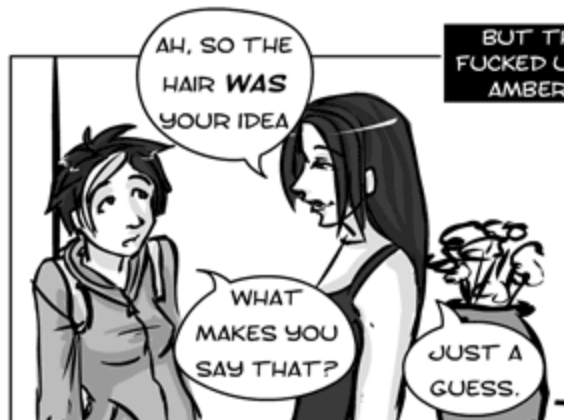
WHAT?

I BET THAT'S
NOT THE ONLY
THING YOU
WANT HER TO
PLAY WITH.

YOU WAITED
THAT LONG
JUST TO SAY
THAT?!

EVEN IF TOM MADE
LEWD COMMENTS
WHEN AMBER WASN'T
AROUND.

YEAH, AND IT
WAS TOTALLY
FUCKING WORTH
IT TOO.



BUT THEN KELLY WENT AND
FUCKED UP MY FRIENDSHIP WITH
AMBER AT THE SLEEPOVER.

...KISS
NAY.

I HAD NEVER BEEN COMFORTABLE WITH
THE IDEA OF TELLING HER I LIKED GIRLS,
AND ESPECIALLY THAT THING WITH KELLY.

IF THAT'S
OKAY WITH
YOU THAT
IS.




TO BE HONEST I NEVER REALLY
WANTED HER TO FIND OUT EITHER.

BUT SHE DID GIVE ME THE
CHANCE TO KISS AMBER.



AND THAT... THAT
WAS WONDERFUL.



AMBER WAS SO RESPONSIVE,
HER LIPS WERE SO SOFT, AND
SHE SMELT SO DAMN GOOD.

SHE TASTED JUST AS GOOD
TOO- AND I LOVED THE WAY SHE
NERVOUSLY MET MY TONGUE
WITH HER OWN

THE BLUSH ON HER CHEEKS MADE
ME WANT TO TAKE THINGS FURTHER.
MAYBE GRAB THAT GORGEOUS HAIR
OR START KISSING HER NECK.

SHE FELT SO *GOOD*, AND I
STARTED TO THINK ABOUT HOW
NICE IT WOULD BE IF I COULD KISS
HER ALL THE TIME, INSTEAD OF
JUST ONCE.

BUT THEN CHARLIE HAD TO
FUCKING INTERRUPT AND RUIN
THINGS DIDN'T SHE?

WOW,
THAT IS
HOT!



AMBER AVOIDED ME A LOT AFTER THAT. I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT KISSING HER WOULD SCARE HER OFF, BUT IT WASN'T MY FAULT KELLY DARED HER TO DO IT.

YOU STILL UPSET OVER AMBER AVOIDING YOU?

MAYBE.

WELL... IT WAS MY FAULT THAT I AGREED TO LET HER DO IT, BUT I WANTED IT, SO I GUESS I WAS JUST BEING SELFISH.

YOU SHOULD DO SOMETHING TO CHEER YOURSELF UP.

LIKE WHAT?

SO, I DECIDED TO HOST A CAMPOUT TO CHEER MYSELF UP

CAMP...

WAVE

OUT?

CAMP OUT!

HI-FIVE!

YEAH!

I WAS SO HAPPY WHEN
AMBER SAID SHE WAS COMING

SHEER
JOY

I HAD THOUGHT THAT SHE WOULD
NEVER SPEAK TO ME AFTER THE
SLEEPOVER, SO HER COMING CAMPING
MADE ME FEEL SO MUCH BETTER.

SHEER
AMBER

EVEN THOUGH SHE SPENT MOST
OF IT ZIPPED UP IN HER SLEEPING
BAG DRINKING WHISKEY.

MARK AND STEVE WERE THERE
TOO, THOUGH I DIDN'T REALLY
KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM.

AND THEN
YOU DATED
ME!

YEAH I
DID!

I MEAN THEY WERE CUTE
TOGETHER, AND HEARING HOW
THEY GOT TOGETHER WAS NICE-

BUT THEN I FOUND OUT HOW
MARK HAD USED AMBER AS A
REPLACEMENT

AND IT
GOT ALL
AWKWARD

AND I REALIZED THAT IT
WAS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE
THAT THEY HAD HAD SEX
WHILE THEY WERE DATING.

WHICH COMBINED WITH MY RECENT
DECISION THAT AMBER'S VIRGINITY HAD BEEN
RIGHTFULLY MINE (I WAS THERE FIRST)
MEANT I WASN'T THAT FOND OF MARK.

CLARE

SNAP

AND THEN I FOUND OUT THAT AMBER HAD LIKED SOMEONE WHEN SHE WAS WITH MARK, WHICH HAD BEEN BEFORE I EVEN STARTED TO LIKE HER.

SO ALL THE TIME SHE HAD LIKED SOMEONE AND NEVER TOLD ME.

WHICH MADE ME SAD.

REALLY?
WHO IS
HE?

YOU NEVER
SAID THAT
YOU LIKED
SOMEONE



ER, WELL
I...

**HOLY
FUCK!**

BUT THEN MURFS SET HIMSELF
ON FIRE AND I GOT LOST IN
THE CHAOS THAT FOLLOWED.





BY THE END OF THE NIGHT I WAS FEELING A BIT BUZZED FROM ALL THE BEER I HAD DRUNK.

I GOT INTO MY HEAD THAT I HAD TO GO FOR AMBER THERE AND THEN, OR I WOULD LOOSE HER TO THE OTHER PERSON THAT MARK SAID SHE LIKED.

AND I THOUGHT SHE.. SHE WANTED TO

- I COULD FEEL HER BREATH QUICKEN AND THE WAY SHE NERVOUSLY GLANCED AT MY LIPS.



BUT THEN I WENT TO KISS HER...

AND SHE PULLED AWAY, LOOKING SO SCARED THAT I JUST COULDN'T DO IT.

I DIDN'T WANT A REPEAT OF WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THE SLEEP OVER, SO I JUST ACTED LIKE NOTHING HAD HAPPENED.



THEN I FELL ASLEEP IN HER ARMS, TRYING NOT TO THINK THAT IT WOULD BE THE LAST TIME SHE'D EVER LET ME DO SO.



THE NEXT MORNING
TOM WOKE US UP

RISE AND
SHINE
GIRLIES!

I HAD A HANG OVER FROM
HELL AND MY MOUTH
TASTED LIKE ASS.

HISS

...NOT THAT I KNOW WHAT ASS
TASTES LIKE, I DIDN'T GET AROUND
TO TRYING THAT WITH KELLY.

I'M
GONNA BE
SICK!

SEE, THIS IS
WHAT HAPPENS
WHEN YOU DRINK.

AMBER WAS REALLY BAD, WHICH HAD
SOMETHING TO DO WITH HER DRINKING
AN ENTIRE BOTTLE OF WHISKEY.

BUCK!

I HELD HER HAIR BACK
WHILE SHE THREW UP

KINDLY FUCK
OFF AND LET
HER VOMIT IN
PEACE.

THINGS SETTLED DOWN AFTER THAT. TOM AND MURF'S SPENT A LOT OF TIME TRYING TO FIGURE OUT EACH OTHERS *FEELINGS*.

BUT THEN AGAIN I CAN'T REALLY SAY ANYTHING BECAUSE I WAS DOING THE SAME WITH AMBER.

RIGHT - WHO
PISSED IN HIS
CORNFLAKES?

JAMIE.

AHHH... SO
IS CHARLIE
STILL...

YES!

SHE COULD OF
PICKED ANY
OTHER FUCKING
GUY, BUT NO
IT HAD TO BE
HIM!

I SWEAR IF HE HURTS
HER I'M GOING TO
SMASH HIS FACE IN!

AGAIN.

AGAIN!

AND THERE WAS THAT THING
WITH JAMIE. BUT BESIDES TOM
BITCHING ABOUT IT FOR OVER A
WEEK, NO ONE CARED THAT MUCH.

ALL IN ALL, IT WAS PERFECTLY ORDINARY.



I DECIDED THE BEST THING FOR
ME TO DO WAS TO GET HELP



SO I TOLD MURFS AND TOM.

I THINK I LIKE
LIKE AMBER AND I
HAVE NO IDEA HOW
TO TELL HER!

YOU-
WUH-
GUH?

AND YOU HAVE TO
HELP ME BECAUSE
HER BIRTHDAY IS
COMING UP AND I
HAVE NO IDEA WHAT
TO GET HER AND-

STOP
SMIRKING AT
ME LIKE THAT!

THEY TOLD ME TO GO TO CHARLIE
TO FIND OUT WHAT TO GET AMBER.

NAY?

SHE LISTENED TO MY
STORY AND THEN
TRIED TO HELP ME..

YEAH,
HI...


HMMM..

"BEGINNERS
GUIDE TO
LESBIAN SEX"
AND SIGN IT "DO
ME"?

WELL, SORT OF

WHAT?
NO!


OH, SO
YOU WANT
SUBTLE.



WE TALKED SOME MORE AND I CAME TO REALISE THAT NO ONE ACTUALLY KNEW WHAT TO GET AMBER FOR HER BIRTHDAY.

TOM AND MURFS WERE BAKING HER A CAKE, AND CHARLIE WAS MAKING SOMETHING, SO THEY WERE FINE.

WHY NOT CHECK OUT THAT SKETCH BOOK OF HERS?




BUT THEN CHARLIE CAME UP WITH AN IDEA....


HOW IS THAT SUPPOSED TO TELL ME WHAT TO GET HER?



I ASKED HER ONCE WHY SHE NEVER LET ANYONE LOOK AT IT. APPARENTLY IT'S A DIARY AS WELL AS A SKETCH BOOK, WHERE SHE WRITES DOWN ALL THAT SHE **WANTS**.




...I'M NOT GOING TO INVADE HER PRIVACY LIKE THAT.




WHY NOT? IT'S JUST A *DIARY*, AND YOU'RE HER **BEST FRIEND**. THERE SHOULDN'T BE MUCH IN THERE THAT YOU DON'T ALREADY KNOW.



...BUT SHE TAKES IT WITH HER EVERYWHERE



I COULD DISTRACT HER WHILE YOU GRAB IT...



LOOKING BACK, IT PROBABLY WASN'T THE BEST IDEA



ABOUT
YOUR
BIRTHDAY-

WHAT KIND OF FOOD
DO YOU HAVE AT
YOUR HOUSE? YOU
KNOW HOW IT IS-

ALSO, CAN I BRING
JAMIE- OR WILL THAT
BE ALL *AWKWARD*
WITH MARK AND
STEVE- OH I DON'T
KNOW!

WELL, I-

OH!

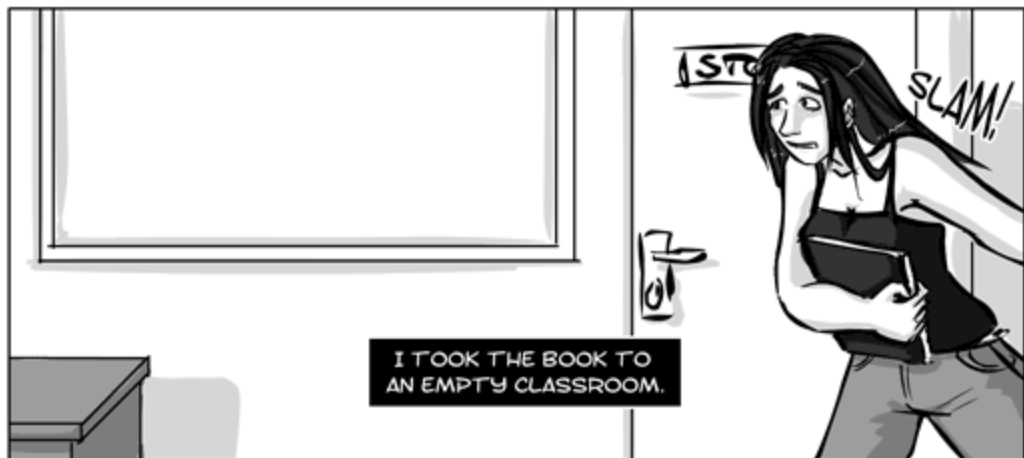
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DO YOU WANT FOR
YOUR BIRTHDAY? I'VE
BEEN TRYING TO DRAW
YOU SAILOR MOON
STUFF THIS WEEK-

BUT ALL I MANAGED TO DO
WAS THEM MAKING OUT!

SO I TRIED AGAIN WITH
NARUTO, BUT THE SAME
HAPPENED AGAIN!

SO WHAT DO
YOU WANT?

FLEE!



I SAT DOWN. OPENED IT AND LOOKED INSIDE.



Why does she have to all I ever and then.

INSIDE WERE... PICTURES.

Bromach showing.

September.

It's so to like

much. sometimes I think I'm okay, but then she smirks,

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May 2nd. like she knew.

April. beautiful.

Splayed across my sheets part. round moans.

like silk back. drippy

bite

pick kiss

touch hug

penetrate tease

love taste feel

Smell

remember

tied helpless

consumed

own

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Just one hug

Most intense to date. black boots

remember tied helpless consumed

JUNE 22nd

AND... THIS WASN'T THE FIRST SKETCHBOOK AMBER HAD KEPT SECRET FROM ME.

I FINALLY
GOT AWAY

STORY

I TOLD AMBER
SOME GIRLS TOOK
HER SKETCH BOOK
AND SENT HER IN
THE OTHER
DIRECTION.



DID YOU
FIND OUT
WHAT AMBER
WANTS?

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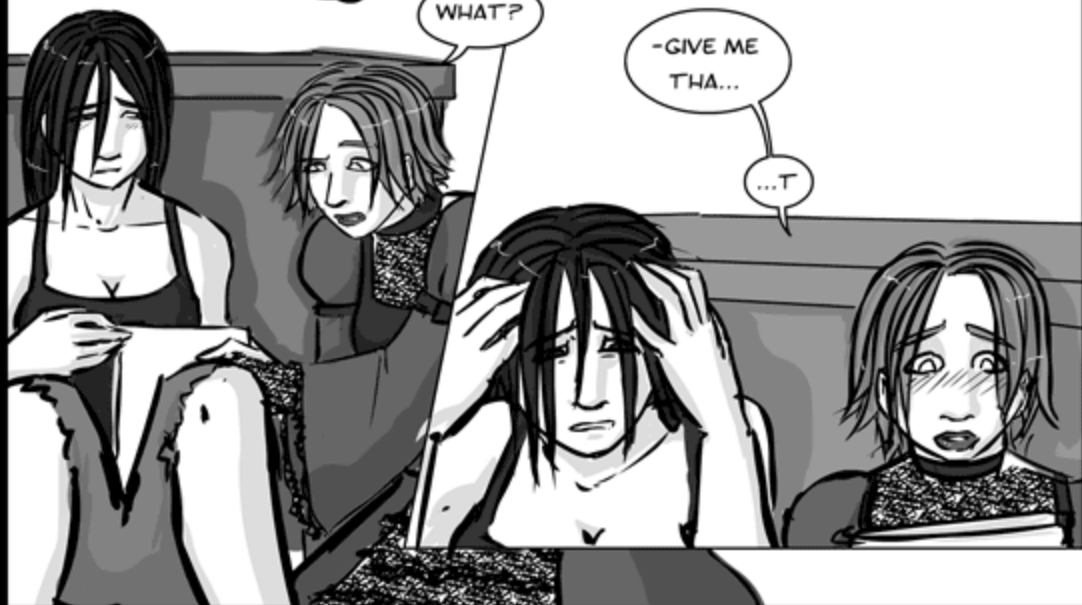


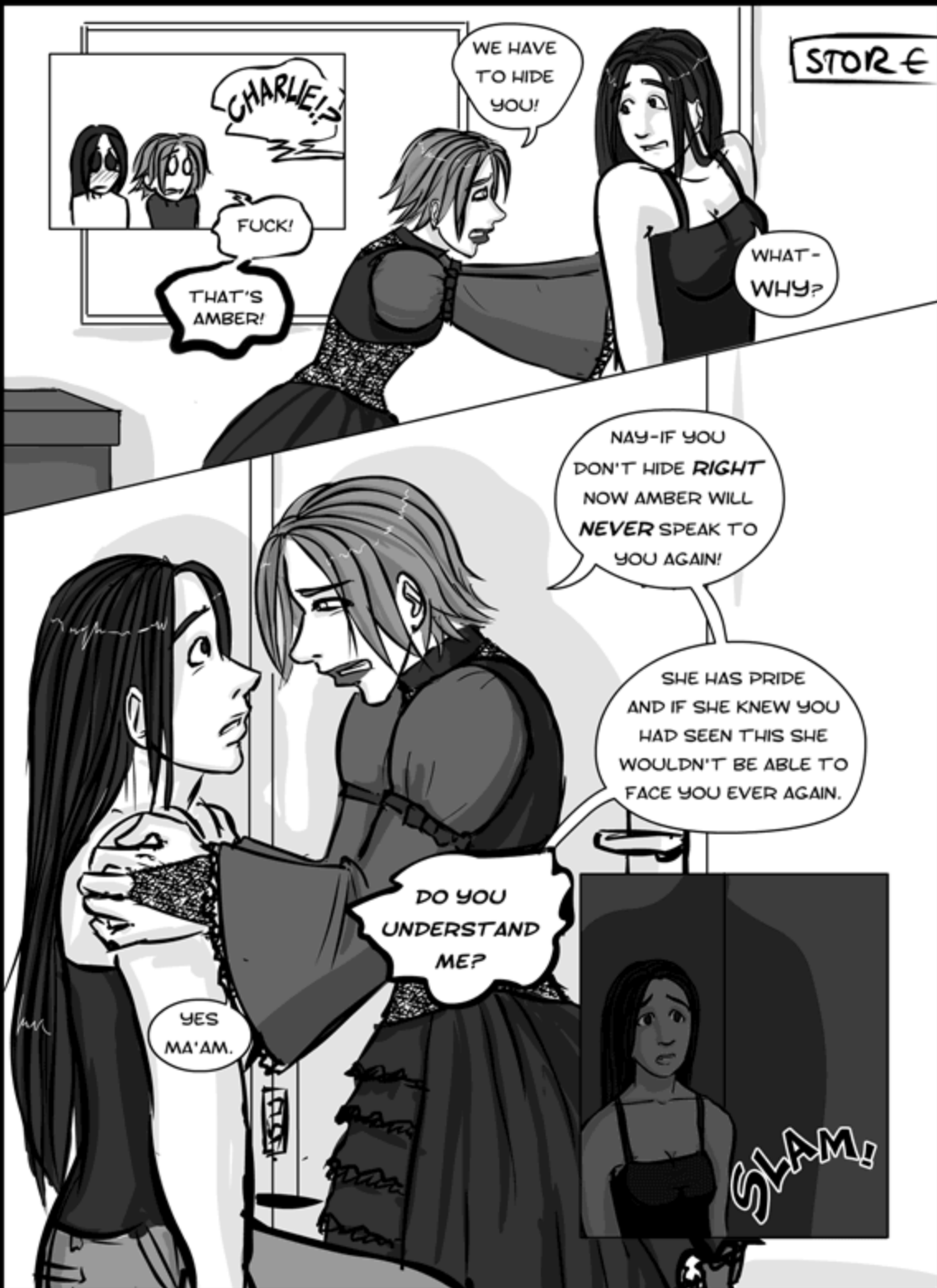
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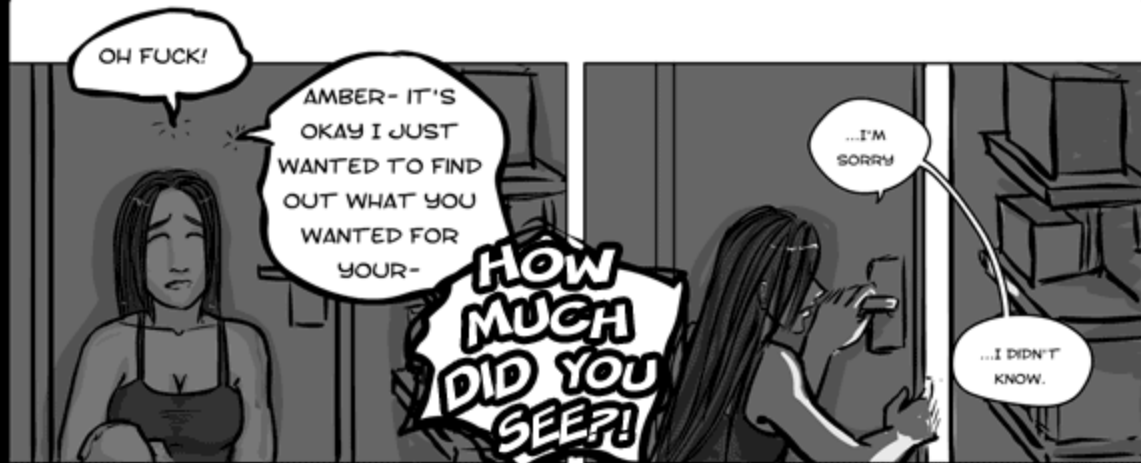
WHAT?

-GIVE ME
THA...

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SLAM!





IN THE END I BROUGHT AMBER A SKETCHBOOK FOR HER BIRTHDAY.




HER OLD ONE WAS PRETTY FULL AFTER ALL, SO I KNEW SHE WOULD APPRECIATE IT.

THE WEEK PASSED QUICKLY, AND BEFORE I KNEW IT, IT WAS AMBER'S PARTY.

I STILL DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO MAKE OF AMBER'S FEELINGS TOWARDS ME, LET ALONE SORT MY OWN OUT.

THINGS WERE BACK TO NORMAL BETWEEN AMBER AND CHARLIE THOUGH, SO I GUESSED THAT THEY HAD MADE UP



IT'S NOT A FANCY DRESS PARTY DEAR.

I KNOW.

THOUGH I COULDN'T SHAKE THE FEELING THAT CHARLIE HAD SOMETHING ELSE PLANNED...



YAY PARTY!

TOM AND MURF'S
SOON TURNED UP WITH
AMBER'S CAKE.



AND THEN HE
WAS LIKE-

**OH GOD
YOUR ARM!!!**

YOU
GUYS ARE
SO STUPID.

AND WE WERE THEN
TREATED TO THE EPIC
TALE OF IT'S CREATION.

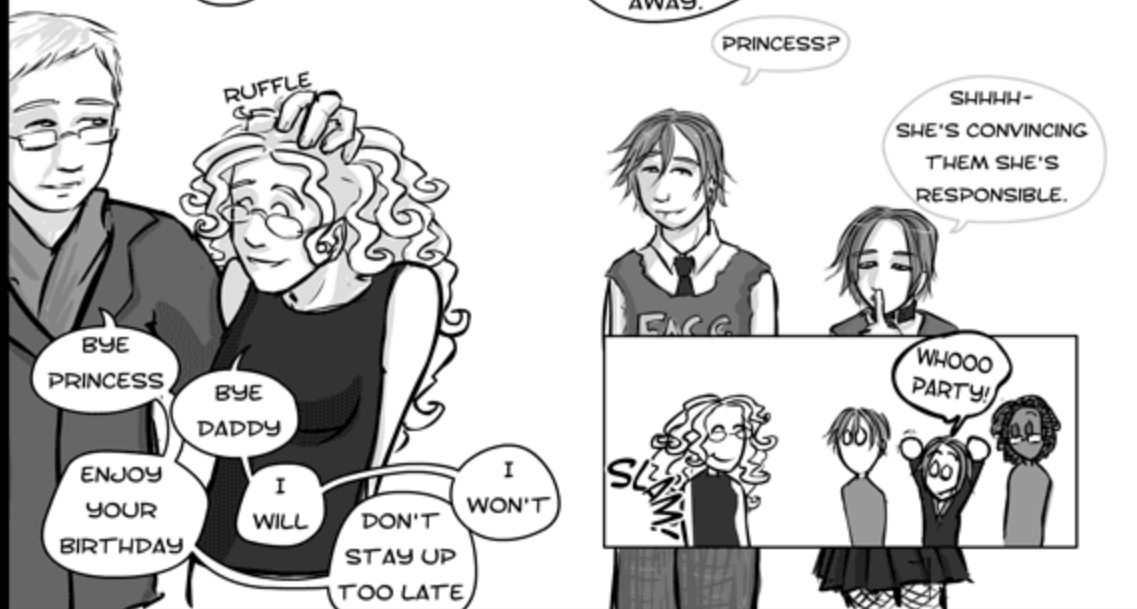


I
BROUGHT
PARTY
HATS!

THEN SOON AFTER THAT
MARK AND STEVE TURNED UP



...YAY.



IT WAS A FUN NIGHT - KINDA
GOOFY IN PLACES, BUT
PERFECT ALL THE SAME..



OH,
SO I GUESS
YOU WON'T
APPRECIATE
THIS?



STUPID WHEAT
FILLED CAKE OF
DOOM.



NUDGE

...IS IT
SAFE?

RICE AND
POTATO FLOUR,
EGG AND MILK
SUBSTITUTES-

AND THE ONLY
THING HARMED
IN IT'S MAKING
WAS MURFS



WAVE!



NOM

WE MOSTLY
WATCHED MOVIES
AND ATE JUNK
FOOD THAT NIGHT.

I AVOIDED ALCOHOL
BECAUSE OF WHAT HAD
HAPPENED LAST TIME
I GOT DRUNK.

OTHERS WEREN'T AS
RESTRAINED, ESPECIALLY MARK
AND STEVE WHO STARTED
MAKING OUT AT SOME POINT.

CHARLIE EGGING THEM ON
DIDN'T HELP MUCH EITHER.

BUT THEN IT STARTED
GETTING LATE AND I STILL
HAD NO IDEA WHAT TO
DO ABOUT AMBER.

GUH, I'M
TOO TIRED
TO WATCH
ANYTHING
ELSE-

I NEEDED TO TALK TO
HER, BUT SHE WAS AVOIDING
BEING ALONE WITH ME.

AMBER- I'M
SLEEPING IN
YOUR ROOM
RIGHT?

STRETCH

UMM YEAH... I'LL
BE UP LATER
THOUGH- I THINK
I'LL WATCH THE
NEXT FILM

UM, YOU
WON'T LIKE IT.
IT'S ABOUT...
BASKETBALL.

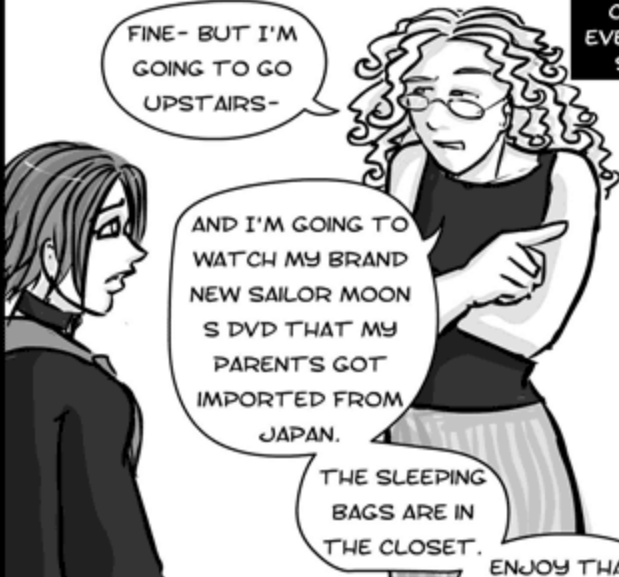
BUT YOU
HATE-

BUT THEN CHARLIE CAME
TO THE RESCUE WITH THE
STUPIDEST PLAN EVER.

SHUT UP

SHUTTING
UP

FACE



FINE- BUT I'M
GOING TO GO
UPSTAIRS-


AND I'M GOING TO
WATCH MY BRAND
NEW SAILOR MOON
S DVD THAT MY
PARENTS GOT
IMPORTED FROM
JAPAN.

THE SLEEPING
BAGS ARE IN
THE CLOSET.


ENJOY THAT
BASKET BALL.

CHARLIE'S PLAN WORKED,
EVEN THOUGH AMBER COULD
SEE RIGHT THROUGH IT.

AMBER WENT UPSTAIRS
AND I FOLLOWED HER.




MAKE THIS GOOD-
I'M MISSING SAILOR
MOON FOR YOU.




AND EVEN THOUGH I WAS TIRED
I STAYED UP AND WATCHED
SAILOR MOON WITH HER.

BUT THEN IT GOT LATE,
AND AMBER FELL ASLEEP



AND I STILL HADN'T FIGURED
OUT WHAT TO DO ABOUT HER,
OR WHAT I SHOULD SAY TO HER.



I LOOKED OVER AT
AMBER, TRYING TO FIGURE
OUT WHAT TO DO.

AMBER DESERVED SOMEONE
WHO COULD LOVE HER
AND TREAT HER RIGHT.

IF I WANTED TO BE WITH
HER I KNEW IT COULD
NEVER BE A QUICK FLING

I HAD TO BE WITH HER
BECAUSE I LOVED HER, AS
MUCH AS I KNEW SHE DID ME.

AND LOOKING AT HER LYING THERE
I REALISED THAT FALLING IN LOVE
WITH AMBER WOULDN'T BE SO BAD.

AND SO I LENT
IN AND KISSED HER.



AND HERE I AM.

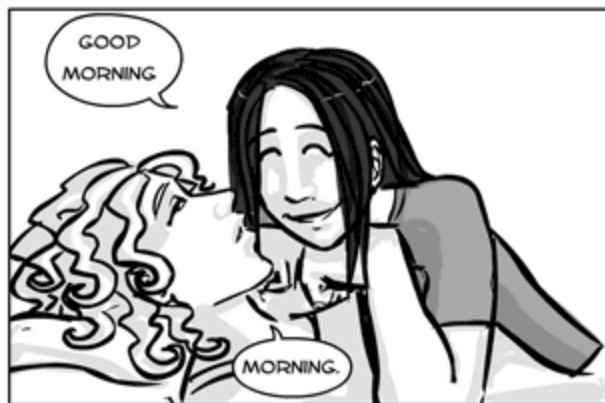


I JUST HOPE
IT WORKS OUT.

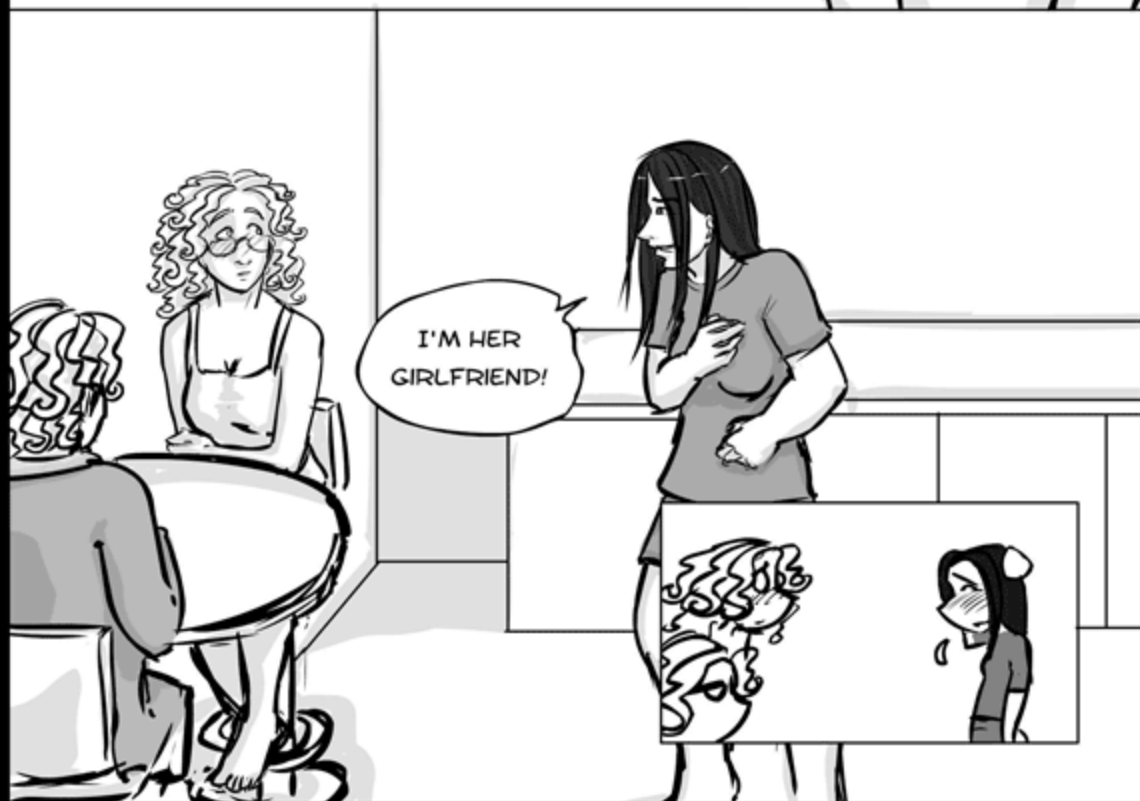
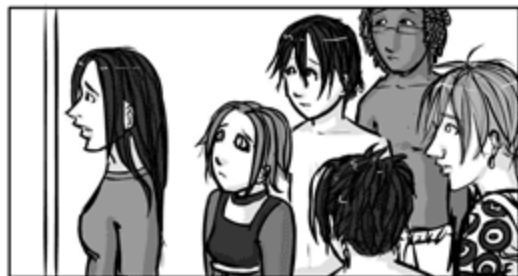
















WHAT?!
DANGER? MARK
AND STEVE ARE
OUT AND NO
ONE'S HURT
THEM!

STEVE IS OVER
6 FOOT TALL AND
A BASKETBALL
PLAYER- HE CAN
HANDLE HIMSELF!

YOU ARE
JUST A
LITTLE GIRL.

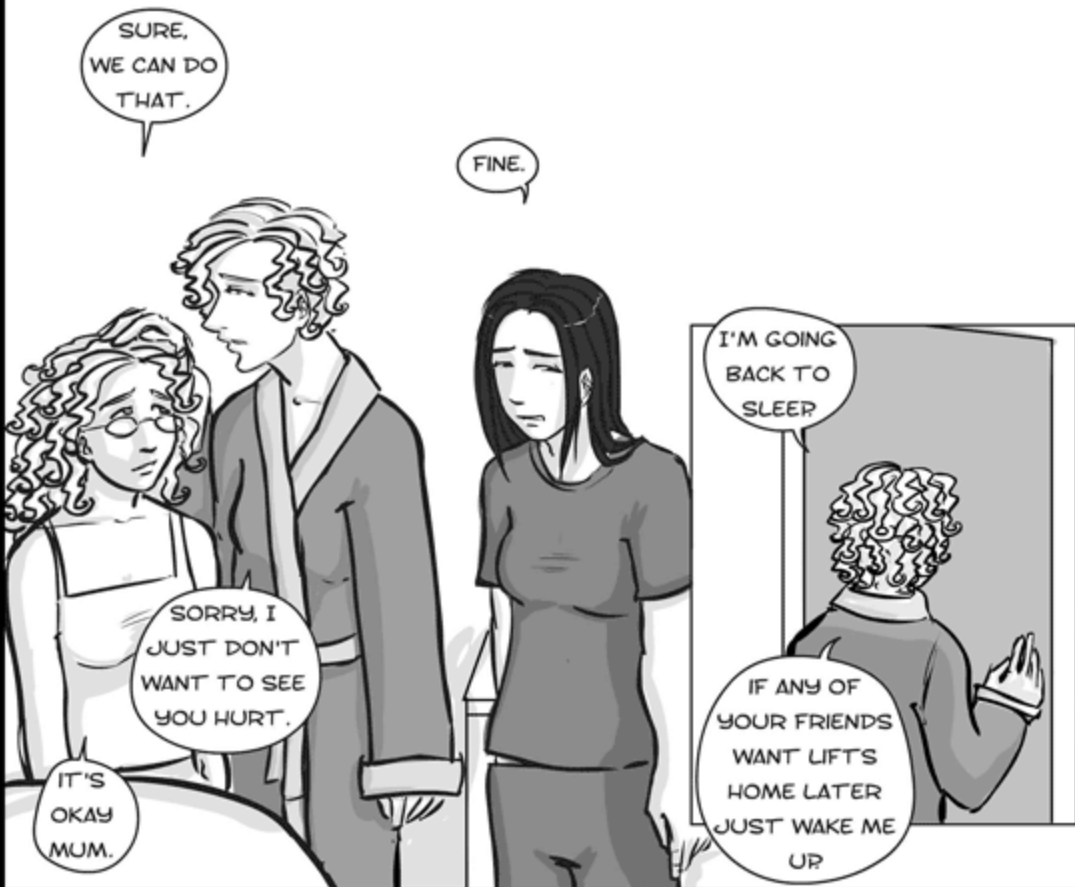
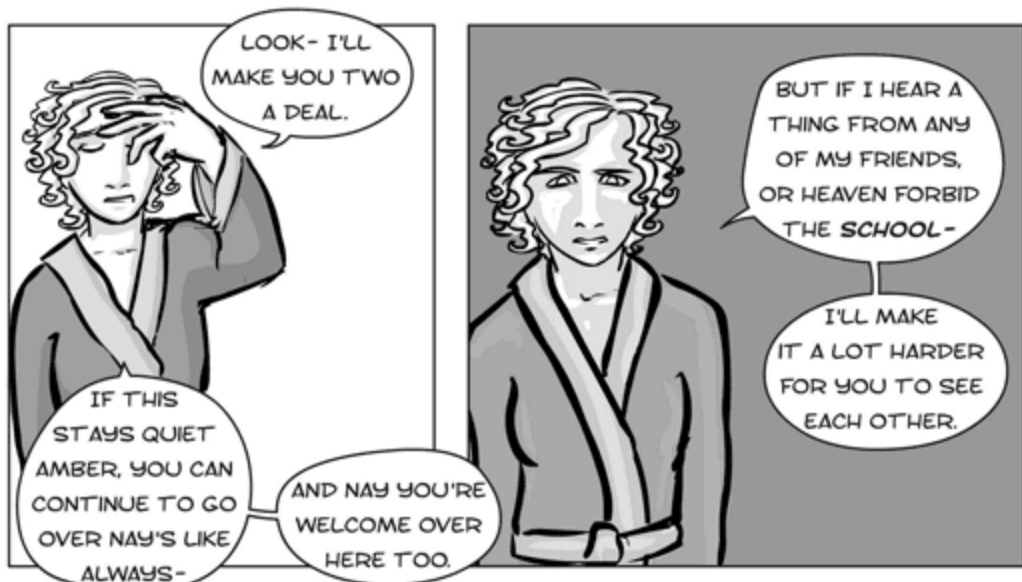
AND IF YOU DECIDE
TO BE OPEN ABOUT
THIS YOU'LL BECOME
THE KIND OF GIRL
THAT SOME MEN SEE
AS A CHALLENGE THAT
THEY HAVE TO
CONVERT!



AND I DO
NOT WANT AMBER
TO EVER BE PUT
IN THAT KIND OF
SITUATION BECUASE
OF YOU.



MUM...





MY NAME IS
NAY OTEN-

THIS IS
MY STORY.



END.